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## Subpart A—General Provisions

### § 216.1 Purpose.

The purpose of this part is to ensure that the Federal Government receives proper information regarding energy and mineral resources removed from

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Federal and Indian leases and federally approved agreements, including the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS).

### § 216.2 Scope.

This part governs the reporting of oil, gas, and solid minerals operations information on Federal and Indian leases or federally-approved agreements including leases or agreements on the OCS. This part also governs the reporting of other operational information associated with production from Federal and Indian leases or federally-approved agreements when such operations occur prior to the point of sale or royalty determination, whichever is applicable. Reporters are required to submit certain production reports to MMS as set forth in this part.

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### § 216.6 Definitions.

For purposes of this part:

*Agreement* means a binding arrangement between two or more parties purporting to the act of agreeing or of coming to a mutual arrangement that is accepted by all parties to a transaction (e.g., communitizations, unitization, gas storage, or compensatory royalty agreements.).

*Alaska Native Corporation* means a corporation created pursuant to the provisions of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq.*).

*Approved mining plan* as used in this part means an approved resource recovery and protection plan (43 CFR 3480.5) or approved mining plan (43 CFR 3572.1).

*Associate Director* means the Associate Director for Royalty Management of the MMS.

*Facility* means a structure(s) used to store or process Federal or Indian mineral production prior to or at the point of royalty determination.

*Federal lease* means a lease concerning minerals owned by the United States and includes a lease where an Alaska Native Corporation receives all or part of the royalties accruing from that lease, and the MMS has not waived administration of that lease.

*First purchaser* means any entity receiving the lease production in a first transfer for value transaction.